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FOR ELECTRONIC PAYMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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REPLY UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 22, 2003, please amend the present application as follows and consider the included remarks.

AMENDMENTS

The following amendments are made using the new amendment format. The provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 are waived in favor of the new format.